

# MR. J. P. MORGAN SHOT

## ATTEMPT TO BLOW UP U. S. CAPITOL

### BY MAN NAMED HOLT IN HOUSE OR AN INFERNAL MACHINE PART OF SENATE WING IS WRECKED BY A BOMB

Who Holds That We Are Responsible for Sending War Munitions Abroad.

SAYS MORGAN GRAPPLES

With Him and Then Holt Fired His Pistol though Not to Shoot Morgan.

(BY ASSOCIATED PRESS) NEW YORK, July 3.—J. P. Morgan was shot but not seriously wounded by an unknown man at his home at Glen Cove, L. I., at 9 o'clock this morning. An announcement issued by J. P. Morgan and Company here reads as follows:

"J. P. Morgan was shot by an unknown man, presumably a crank, at his home at Glen Cove at 9 o'clock this morning. The physicians advised that the wound was not serious."

The first news of the shooting was received at 10:30 o'clock at the office of Sheriff Pettit of Nassau county at Mineola. The sheriff immediately dispatched men to Glen Cove to investigate the report. Details of the shooting were lacking at that hour. It was reported in Glen Cove that the man who shot Mr. Morgan secreted himself in Morgan's home last night. A later statement issued by the Morgan firm said that two shots were fired at Mr. Morgan and that both had taken effect. A telephone message from Glen Cove stated that the man who shot Mr. Morgan had been captured.

It is unofficially stated that one bullet took a glancing course after striking Mr. Morgan in the breast and passed out through the arm. The other wound was said to be in the hip. Except for the fact that Mr. Morgan had been shot such members of the Morgan firm as were in town were without details of the shooting nearly two hours after the time it was said to have occurred. The rumor of the shooting reached the stock market and was current on the floor of the New York stock exchange. The market, which opened irregularly, shaded a point on the rumor and remained practically stationary after the news was confirmed. Mr. Morgan reached financial circles in New York the question was raised as to whether the financier's activities in connection with the European war had anything to do with the shooting. The house of J. P. Morgan and Company, was the purchasing agent of the British government for munitions and supplies bought in this country. It was only this morning that the announcement had been made privately in New York of a plan of a group of bankers of which Mr. Morgan was one of the leaders for the flotation in this country of \$100,000,000 of the new British war loan.

The man who shot Mr. Morgan came to Glen Cove this morning on a train. He hired an automobile and went to the Morgan home on Matinecock Point. He rang the bell and when the butler answered called for Mr. Morgan. He said that he was an old friend of Mr. Morgan and that he had come to the house. The butler refused to admit him. Mr. Morgan then came to the door and the man pressed a pistol against the stomach of the butler and pushed his way past the servant into the hall. Mr. Morgan was approaching the front door through the hall at the time, and asked what the trouble was. The answer was a shot which was fired. Mr. Morgan staggered and fell into a chair. The butler, once the assailant's back was turned, picked up a brass candle holder from the fireplace and brought it down on the assailant's head but too late to prevent a second shot. The butler fell on the man, wrested the weapon away and overpowered him. Servants came running in answer to his call and the assailant fled and a physician was telephoned. The man was placed under arrest and taken to Glen Cove. A search of the man brought to Glen Cove was found near a hedge on the Morgan property. The satchel was filled with dynamite.

Another version of the entrance of the intruder into the Morgan house is to the effect that he had no trouble in gaining admission. He went to the door and asked to see Mr. Morgan, saying he was an old friend. Word was taken to Mr. Morgan that someone wanted to see him. The financier came out of his breakfast room into the main hall. Immediately on his appearance the intruder shot at him. He had two revolvers and used them both. Dr. W. H. Z. briske, of Glen Cove, was immediately summoned and Dr. Markoe, of this city, was sent for. Mr. Morgan's wounds were examined and word was given out that it was not believed that they were necessarily serious.

Holt made the following statement to the Associated Press this afternoon: "My home is in Dallas, Tex., I have

a wife and children and am forty years old. was born in this country and so were my father and mother. My ancestors were French and German. It was all mixed up. I received a degree of doctor of philosophy from Cornell in 1914 but before that I was an instructor in French. I was formerly an instructor in Vanderbilt University. I came to New York two weeks ago from Ithaca and put up at the Mills hotel at Thirty-six street and Seventh avenue. I took no pains to conceal my identity and registered under my own name. About a month ago I conceived the idea to see J. P. Morgan and get him to use his influence in stopping the exportation of arms which make you and me responsible for the murder which is going on over there. I could not go from manufacturer to manufacturer myself, but I thought that Mr. Morgan's banking connections would render it more easy for him to accomplish this. I have not been influenced to do this by anybody else. I think President Wilson's notes were firm but they did not seem to do anything to stop the war. I came down here from New York this morning to put my idea before Mr. Morgan, but I depended upon him to formulate the plan. Of course, I did not mean to shoot Mr. Morgan, but I intended to stay there until something was done.

"I had a stick of dynamite in my pocket. I thought it might come in handy somehow. Some fool has said that I had nitroglycerine in my suit case. It was only benzine to clean my clothes. I went up to the house in the butler and walked upstairs. I had my gun in my hand. In the hall on the second floor I met Mr. Morgan. A woman who I took to be his wife, immediately preceded him down the hall. She screamed and jumped away from where I don't know exactly where. Mr. Morgan did not give me a chance to say anything. He jumped at me and grappled with me. I fired into the air thinking to scare him. They tell me I hit him. I don't know for somebody hit me on the head. I hope Mr. Morgan was badly hurt. I admire Mr. Morgan's courage in grappling with me. If he would only use his courage in the right direction and for the right things he will get somewhere and do something worth while.

With a pistol in his hand, a telegram to his wife at 101 Marcellus street, Dallas, Tex. The telegram follows:

"Man proposes. God disposes. Don't come here until you get my letter. Be strong."

The telegram was signed Frank.

### BLAMES EUROPEAN WAR ON THE MAN HE WOUNDS

(BY ASSOCIATED PRESS) GLEN COVE, L. I., July 3.—Mr. Morgan's assailant asserted this afternoon that his name was F. Holt and said that he was an instructor in French at Cornell University. Holt, according to officials here, said he was of German descent and that he was willing to give up his life at any time to end the war. It was added that he declared Mr. Morgan was responsible for the war and for the shipments of arms abroad and that he could stop the conflict if he wished.

Mr. Morgan apparently did not consider himself seriously wounded. When it was reported that he was shot the Morgan house was the target of a volley of telephone inquiries from New York. The first of these calls was answered by Mr. Morgan himself and calmly told of the shooting and added that he did not think it amounted to very much.

The police assert that Holt had been living in Glen Cove about a week. He had been seen by various persons on the street and his presence in the neighborhood of the Morgan home last Thursday had been commented on before the shooting.

In his cell, the preparation of a written statement which he informed the police he wanted to give out to the newspapers.

### PRESIDING ELDER SAYS HOLT IS HIS SON-IN-LAW

(BY ASSOCIATED PRESS) DALLAS, July 3.—Presiding Elder O. F. Sensabaugh of the Dallas district Methodist Episcopal church, South, said today he has a son-in-law named Frank Holt, whose present address is Mills hotel, Seventh avenue and Thirty-third street, New York City.

HEARING CONTINUED.

Owing to the unavoidable absence of necessary witnesses, the hearing of Holt on a charge of violating the prohibition law has been continued by Magistrate R. Edward Kidd until 1:30 o'clock Thursday afternoon.

The hearing was originally set for Friday evening. Mr. Cork is under bond for his appearance.

Letter to the Washington Times is the only Clue of the Perpetrator of the Deed.

PROTEST IS MADE THEREIN

Against Exporting War Munitions and a Referendum on Question is Suggested.

(BY ASSOCIATED PRESS) WASHINGTON, July 3.—The public reception room in the Senate wing of the capitol of the United States was wrecked just before last midnight by an explosion probably caused by a bomb or an infernal machine. No one was injured and today there was only one clue, a letter received by the Washington Times, an evening newspaper, bearing a postmark timed before the explosion announcing that it would take place. The letter, although written June 1, was mailed last night at 10 o'clock. It was signed "R. Pearce."

The letter was a rambling argument against exports of war munitions to Europe. "By the way," said the writer at the outset of his argument, "don't blame this on the Germans or on Bryan. I am an old-fashioned American with a conscience. If it is not a sin to make their own man-killing machines. Sorry I had to use explosives. For the last time I hope. It is the export kind and not to make enough noise to be heard above the voices that clamor for war and blood money. This explosion is the exclamation point to my appeal for peace." He closed his letter with a proposal for a referendum on the question of war exports which he characterized "a colossal American crime."

### COUNTER CLAIMS BEING SET FORTH

But All Reports Agree That a German Cruiser Met Disaster.

BATTLE LASTS HALF DAY

Turkish Troop Ship is Reported Sunk in Marmora Sea by the Allied Fleet.

(BY ASSOCIATED PRESS) LONDON, July 3.—Details of the naval battle between Russian and German cruisers in the Baltic yesterday apparently were lost in the fog which enshrouded the scene of the engagement. The official story of the action from Petrograd claims that a Russian cruiser squadron drove a German cruiser ashore but all unofficial reports agree that the vessel which met disaster was the mine layer, Albatross. Petrograd claims that the German vessels retired before the Russian attack while unofficial reports declare that Russia's warships had to retire before superior numbers after a battle lasting half a day.

The submarines of the Entente allies had their innings yesterday. From Athens it is reported that a Turkish troop ship was sunk in the sea of Marmora by a British submarine while Petrograd claims that a Russian submarine obtained a heavy bag of merchant ships in the Black sea.

London again has been encouraged by the report that General Hamilton, commander of the British land forces, operating against the Dardanelles, stating that the French troops have also advanced into the Anglo-French line of the Gallipoli peninsula is almost straight. This report is countered, however, by the claim from Constantinople that the British were forced back into their original positions.

Activity along the western front has subsided with a check to the latest German attack made by the forces under the German crown prince in the Argonne.

The Austro-German armies steadily are advancing on the east front with Field Marshal von Mackensen drawing near to Lublin which might be termed one of the outlying defenses of Warsaw.

### RUSSIAN SUBMARINE IS REPORTED AS ACTIVE

(BY ASSOCIATED PRESS) PETROGRAD, July 3.—The activity of a Russian submarine in the Black sea is recounted in an official statement issued by the admiralty today. The undersea boat sank two Turkish steamers and one sailing ship with cargoes of coal and provisions and then exchanged shots with three

### FINEST QUALITY OF WATER HERE

As Shown by the Report of Federal Expert of International Reputation.

MAGISTRATE CARTER Issues Challenge to Other Magistrates of the City for a Hundred Yard Dash.

Magistrate Jackson V. Carter is interested in the big Independence Day celebration which is going to be held at the fair grounds Monday and expects that the other local magistrates will be present he issues a challenge to them for a 100-yard race to be run on the race track Monday afternoon. According to Magistrate Carter's challenge the following rules must be observed: The runners must start from a given point, run fifty yards and then return to the point from which they started. A box of fifty cigars has been offered as a prize for this race. It is not known as yet whether any of the other magistrates in the city will accept Magistrate Carter's challenge or not but if they do a lively race is promised.

### HEAVY LOSSES.

(BY ASSOCIATED PRESS) BERLIN, by wireless, July 3.—Military writers figure that the Russians from May 2 until June 27 left in the hands of the Germans 1,630 officers, 520,000 men prisoners, 300 field guns, 770 machine guns, besides incalculable war material.

### GERMAN CRUISER IS BEACHED IN A BATTLE

(BY ASSOCIATED PRESS) PETROGRAD, July 4.—When the Russian naval squadron in the Baltic gave battle to five German cruisers and a flotilla of torpedo boats off the east coast of Gotland on July 2, one German cruiser was beached and the other warships were put to flight, according to an official statement issued today by the Russian admiralty. The damage to the Russian cruisers, the statement adds, was insignificant.

### DEDICATORY Services in the New Adamston Church Tomorrow Will Be Interesting and Helpful.

Dedicatory services at the new Methodist Episcopal church at Adams-ton tomorrow will consist of an interesting program as follows: At 10:30 a. m. Bishop William F. Anderson, of Cincinnati, will preach, also in the afternoon at 2:30 o'clock, Bishop Anderson will have charge of the services. At 8 p. m. Governor H. D. Hatfield will make an address. At 12 o'clock noon dinner will be served in the basement of the church free.

Tonight at 7:30 o'clock the Rev. C. E. Hamrick, a former pastor of the Adamston church, will preach. Arrangements have been made to care for those attending the Sunday services, and a cordial invitation is extended to all.

### GOVERNMENT LOSSES.

(BY ASSOCIATED PRESS) PHILADELPHIA, July 3.—The United States district court today rendered a decision in favor of the defendant in the government's suit to dissolve the Reading Company and to separate the New Jersey Central railroad from the Reading.

### GOVERNOR TO SPEAK.

Governor H. D. Hatfield will make an address at 3 o'clock Sunday afternoon in the new Methodist Episcopal church at Adams-ton in connection with this evening from Charleston and be a guest of Mr. and Mrs. Virgil L. Highland during his stay in the city.

### ANOTHER VESSEL SUNK.

(BY ASSOCIATED PRESS) LONDON, July 3.—The British steamship, Gadsby, was sunk today by a German submarine. The crew was landed at Merville, Ireland.

### HIGHLAND'S CITY, BEAUTIFUL, NOW READY TO OPEN

Goff Plaza Will Be Placed on the Market Wednesday, July 28.

MARVEL IN ACHIEVEMENT

Is the New Addition and the Crowning Work of a Great Builder of Towns.

Goff Plaza, Cecil B. Highland's beautiful addition to Clarksburg will be placed on the market Wednesday, July 28. The day will be the greatest in real estate circles in the history of the community, where there have been some great ones, notably one held a few years ago at Highland Park, which Mr. Highland so successfully promoted. The sale will be held all day and a part of the night on the grounds. The tag method will be employed and the prices of lots will be within reach of every one who goes in this great addition to Clarksburg sites for modern and up-to-date homes or an investment that guarantees profitable returns.

The well known and successful firm of Willison and Dennison whose diligence and fine business methods have added so materially to Clarksburg's remarkable growth will conduct the sale in the most attractive and acceptable manner possible and that concern will continue to have charge of the marketing of the addition until all lots are sold. The terms of sale will be most reasonable and are designed to meet purchasers' desires and convenience. One-fifth of the purchased price will be cash in hand on day of sale and the residue in four equal annual payments. In this connection a feature well worth mentioning is the fact that the titles to lots will be clear.

Popular Name. Mr. Highland as is his custom used excellent judgment in choosing a name for the addition, a name most popular as well as most appropriate. Goff Plaza as the name implies is named for not only Clarksburg's most distinguished citizen, but for West Virginia's most illustrious and beloved son, namely, United States Senator Nathan Goff, from whom the property was purchased by Mr. Highland, and it will be among the many monuments in the community commemorating the name of Clarksburg's leading families.

Mr. Highland for the superb taste he has shown in this respect. The promoter of Goff Plaza, a native of Harrison county but now a resident of New Martinsville, is a builder of towns. His career in this respect has been marvelous, as his work has been crowned at all times with brilliant success. Goff Plaza is the crowning achievement of his unexcelled devotion to such undertakings.

Mr. Highland a year and a half ago began work on the commons where the beautiful addition is located with steam shovels, plows, shovels, picks and every conceivable construction tool with Keeley Brothers as grading and paving contractors, Eide Brothers as concrete contractors, Hornor Brothers as civil engineers and the Clarksburg Gas and Electric Company in charge of the installation of the lighting system. The transformation of the ground into a plaza that is known as Goff Plaza in topography elicits unlimited exclamations of admiration as well as wonder that such an achievement is possible for man.

Ideally Located. The addition is ideal in location for a residential section as it is located on extended East Main street just east of the eastern line of the city. It is bounded by Broad Oaks on the south, Marshall street on the east and Elk creek on the north and west. Elk creek separating it from Clarksburg proper with the Goff bridge leading from the city into the addition contains thirty-eight acres, and this area has been laid off in lots, streets and alleys in a most modern and ideal way. There are 175 lots that will be placed on the market Wednesday, July 28, the street and alley lines are already opened. These lots all face on streets and every lot has a rear alley.

The streets are all appropriately named. They are Main street, Buckhannon avenue, Stanley avenue, Concord street, Hudson street, Harrison street and Wood street. They are all wide, some being fifty feet wide, others forty feet and none less than thirty-six feet. All are paved with white paving block laid on ten inches of ballast consisting of stone and cinders. The curbing is five by twenty-two inches and is concrete. The sidewalks range from four to seven and one-half feet in width and consist of fourteen inches of ballast and cement. The alleys are all fifteen feet wide. Streets and alleys are certainly most substantially constructed and they will endure an ordinary life time. They are modernly planned as well as in keeping with all

### MARINE BAND

Will Make Its First Appearance in Public Next Monday Morning.

After four months of practicing under direction of Professor Tony Riga, the Clarksburg Italian Marine Band dressed in its new uniforms received Saturday from New York city will make its first appearance in this city Monday morning when it will head a parade of the lodge of the Duke of Abruzzi. The parade will cover the principal streets of the city.

In the evening the band will help in Glen Elk while fireworks program of the big Independence Day celebration will be displayed on Pinnick-inn hill. The band is composed of forty talented musicians and after their long practice under Professor Riga they are in shape to render an excellent program of music.

The band was organized by James Burgess one of the leading Italians of the city who has been elected manager of the band. Frank Cavalla is president and Tony Arena is treasurer.

### WRECK

Of Passenger Train and There May Be Great Loss of Life in the Same.

(BY ASSOCIATED PRESS) SEATTLE, Wash., July 3.—Train No. 115 on the Grays Harbor division of the Milwaukee railroad which left Seattle for Hoquiam at 7:50 o'clock this morning was wrecked about 9 o'clock, twenty miles south of here, about 9 o'clock and fell on a freight train passing beneath. Dead and dying are being carried to Rainier. The loss of life is unknown.

### NON-SUPPORT

Charged by Newburg Officials against Jack Henan, in Jail Here.

Wanted in Newburg on a charge of non-support, Jack Henan, a black Henan, an old field worker, is a prisoner in the county jail awaiting the arrival of an officer from the Preston county town.

Henan was arrested by City Police Officer Sherman Friday night on a charge of being drunk and was locked up in the city jail. This morning the police department was notified by the county officials that Henan was wanted in Newburg on the non-support charge. The prisoner was then turned over to the county authorities and locked up in the county jail.

### NOT GUILTY

Is Finding in Case of J. C. Harrington, Charged with Fighting.

J. C. Harrington was held not guilty of a charge of fighting when he was arraigned before Mayor G. H. Gordon in police court Saturday morning. Fred Empty, with whom Harrington is alleged to have engaged in the affray, failed to put in an appearance and his bond of \$6.60 was declared forfeited.

The affray between the two men took place in Pike street Friday afternoon and was broken up by the arrival of Officer Foyse and Davidson. At the hearing in police court Saturday morning, Harrington was held to be blameless for his part in the affray.

### FARMERS' MEETING.

Many farmers met with W. D. Zinn, county industrial agent, in the county court room Saturday, where Mr. Zinn discussed farm affairs.

other features of the addition speak in volumes for the mastery art of Hornor Brothers, the civil engineers in charge.

Splendid Size of Lots. The lots are all of splendid size. There are fifty-nine on Main street, fifty by from 140 to 218 feet, twenty-

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